

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY UTILITIES  
AUTHORITY - SEPTEMBER 27, 2022 — 4:00 P.M.**

A Regular Meeting of the Middlesex County Utilities Authority was held at the Authority Board Room, Main Street Extension, Sayreville, New Jersey on Tuesday, September 27, 2022.

Notices of the meeting were mailed to the Clerks and the News Media - The Courier News and The Home News Tribune in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Law and New Jersey Statutes.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman John Wiley at 4:00 P.M.

Present were: Chairman John Wiley; Commissioners: James Baker, Jerome Convery, Antonio Cruz, Robert Diehl, Joseph Juliano, Raymond Murray, William Thomas and James Zullo.

Absent was Vice Chairman Ted Light.

Also present were: Executive Director, Joseph Cryan, William Northgrave, Esq. and Karen Levenson, Comptroller.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**REGULAR MEETING**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion for approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Tuesday, August 23, 2022, was made by Commissioner Convery seconded by Commissioner Diehl and carried.

Abstain: Commissioner Juliano

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Finance Committee**

Commissioner Zullo reported that a Finance Committee meeting was held on Thursday, September 15, 2022, to discuss the Audit Report and thanked the MCUA staff for the very impressive financial controls.

**Engineering Committee**

Commissioner Murray reported that the Committee discussed contract awards as well as the rejection of a bid on today's agenda. An update on the cogeneration plant performance was discussed and ARPA funding through the County. The board received an email regarding an overheating of equipment incident at the SPS and reported that the system is operating.

**PRESENTATION**

Mr. Scott Clelland from PKF O'Connor Davies, LLP. gave a brief overview of the 2021 Audit Report stating that there were no findings or recommendations and received an unmodified, clean opinion. There were no questions from the Commissioners. Also present from Wiss and Company were Diana Miller and Caitlin Macaluso.

**PUBLIC PORTION ON RESOLUTIONS**

There were no comments from the public on any of the Resolutions

The Executive Director gave a brief summary on each of the Resolutions listed below:

**RESOLUTIONS**

**Resolution No. A-9-22-1-R – Approval of 2021 Annual Audit – Wastewater and Solid Waste Divisions**

**Resolution No. A-9-22-2-R - Pretreatment Permit Action Nos. 23214 and 28235**

**Resolution No. WW-9-22-3-R - Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Contract Pursuant to N.J.S.A 19:44A-20.4 to Bonfire Interactive for Computer Software Services– Not to Exceed \$28,000.00**

**Resolution No. WW-9-22-4-R – Authorizing Contract Award for Contract No. 22-8-10(AC) / Supply and Delivery of Sulfuric Acid 93% - Veckridge Chemical Company, Inc. – Not to Exceed \$232,560.00 (2 Year Contract)**

**Resolution No. WW-9-22-5-R – Authorizing Contract Award for Contract No. 22-8-11(AC) / Supply & Delivery of Liquid Caustic Soda – Kuehne Chemical Company, Inc. - Not to Exceed \$141,667.50 (2 Year Contract)**

**Resolution No. WW-9-22-6-R – Authorizing Contract Award for Contract No. 22-8-8(AC) / Supply and Delivery of Janitorial Supplies – Spruce Industries, Inc. – Not to Exceed \$116,665.64 (2 Year Contract)**

**Resolution No. WW-9-22-7-R – Authorizing Contract Award for Contract No. 22-5-6(AC) / Uniform Services – American Wear, Inc. – Not to Exceed \$171,222.39 (3 Year Contract)**

**Resolution No. WW-9-22-8-R – Authorizing Change Order No. 1 to Contract 20-2-1(SAPS) / Fire Alarm Rehabilitation for South Amboy Pump Station – 90 Day Time Extension – Johnson Controls Fire Protection LP - Not to Exceed \$10,299.14 (Revised Total Funding \$103,547.14)**

**Resolution No. WW-9-22-9-R – Authorizing Final Quantities Change Order No. 1 to Contract 21-9-4(GBPS) for Repairs to the Green Brook Pump Station for Damage Caused by Tropical Storm IDA – Northeast Remsco Construction, Inc. – (\$9,494,150.86) CREDIT**

**Resolution No. WW-9-22-10-R – Authorizing Change Order No. 1 (91 Day/No Cost) to Contract 20-3-2(AC) /Standby Contract for Force Mains and Gravity Sewers – CRS Contractors, Inc.**

**Resolution No. WW-9-22-11-R – Resolution Authorizing the Provision of Pump Repair Services by Pumping Services, Inc. Through the North Jersey Wastewater Cooperative Pricing System, Contract No. B270-2 – Not to Exceed \$15,000.00**

**Resolution No. WW-9-22-12-R – Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Contract Pursuant to N.J.S.A 19:44A-20.4 to Miller and Chitty Co., Inc. for Labor and Materials to Upgrade Controls on Existing OCS Cleaver Brooks Boilers– Not to Exceed \$44,000.00**

**Resolution No. SW-9-22-13-R – Authorization to Increase Quantities to Contract No. 21-7SW-Furnish and Deliver Aggregates at the Middlesex County Landfill – Item No. 4 (Recycled Stone) – Bayshore Recycling Corp. – Not to Exceed \$23,750.00 (2,500 tons/\$9.50 per ton) (Revised Total Funding \$71,250.00)**

**Resolution No. SW-9-22-15-R – Authorizing Approval of Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 21-8SW/ Heavy Equipment Rental and Operation at the Middlesex County Landfill – Barbella Construction Services, LLC. – Not to Exceed \$62,600.00 (Revised Total Funding \$375,600.00)**

**Resolution No. WW-9-22-16-R – Authorizing the Rejection of the Proposal Submitted for Contract No. 22-5-7(CTP)(Rebid) for Operations and Maintenance Services for the Electric Generation and Landfill Gas Collection Treatment Facilities for the Middlesex County Utilities Authority**

**Resolution No. WW-9-22-17-R – Authorizing an Emergency Extension Contract with NAES Corporation for Continued Operation and Maintenance Services for the Electric Generation and Landfill Gas Collection Treatment Facilities for the Middlesex County Utilities Authority- Not to Exceed \$4,500,000.00**

The above resolutions were presented and moved for adoption by Commissioner Diehl. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zullo and the following members voted Aye:

Chairman Wiley; Commissioners: Baker, Convery, Cruz, Diehl, Juliano, Murray, Thomas, Zullo

Nays: None

(See Appendix Nos. 1-13 and 15-17)

**Resolution No. SW-9-22-14-R – Authorizing Agreement with French & Parrello Associates for Miscellaneous Consulting Engineering Services for the Solid Waste Division – Not to Exceed \$39,974.50**

Resolution SW-9-22-14-R – Authorizing Agreement with French & Parrello Associates for Miscellaneous Consulting Engineering Services for the Solid Waste Division – Not to Exceed \$39,94.50 was presented and moved for adoption by Commissioner Cruz. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Murray and the following members voted Aye:

Chairman Wiley; Commissioners: Baker, Convery, Cruz, Diehl, Juliano, Murray and Thomas.

Abstain: Commissioner Zullo

Nays: None

(See Appendix No. 14)

Motion to approve the Solid Waste Division and Wastewater Division Payment of Bills was moved by Commissioner Murray. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Baker and the following members voted Aye:

Chairman Wiley; Commissioners: Baker, Convery, Cruz, Diehl, Juliano, Murray, Thomas and Zullo.

Nays: None

**PUBLIC**

Chairman Wiley asked if anyone from the Public wished to address the board and recognized Mr. Charles Kratovil – New Brunswick Today. Mr. Kratovil questioned Commissioner Zullo on abstaining from Resolution No. 14. Commissioner Zullo responded that his firm is on a design team for a project unrelated to the MCUA with the firm considered for the contract.

Mr. Kratovil inquired as to whether the City of New Brunswick was still utilizing the Middlesex County Landfill.

Paul Clark, SWD Division Manager responded stating that the City of New Brunswick is a customer but using the Interstate New Brunswick Transfer Station for the majority of their waste. Interstate then delivers the waste to the landfill.

Mr. Kratovil spoke about a violation of policies and procedures for banned medical waste material that New Brunswick trucks may have delivered to the landfill and was curious if there were any updates that you could share on this situation.

Mr. Cryan responded that there are no updates and the MCUA is working with the NJDEP at this point in time.

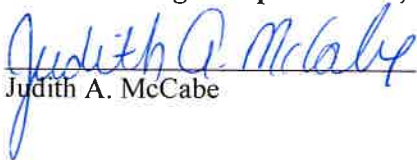
**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A motion to enter Executive Session was made by Commissioner Diehl. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Murray and carried. The board entered into Executive Session for a presentation regarding possible contracts.

A motion to end Executive Session and reopen the public meeting was made by Commissioner Convery, seconded by Commissioner Baker and carried. Mr. Northgrave reported that No action will be taken.

There being no further business, Chairman Wiley called for a motion to adjourn. Motion was made by Commissioner Convery at 5:35 p.m., seconded by Commissioner Diehl and carried.

**I hereby certify that these minutes are a true and accurate summary of that which transpired at the MCUA board meeting of September 27, 2022, at which I was present.**

  
Judith A. McCabe